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MEMORANDUM FOR: Jack Watson, White House Chief of Staff

SUBJECT : Second CIA Status Report on Transition

1. Intelligence support to the President- and Vice-President-Elect and their immediate staff is being provided on a daily basis. We have a senior intelligence officer stationed on the West coast to serve the President-Elect while he is in California. Secure communications have been provided.

2. Substantive briefings for Governor Reagan and Ambassador Bush and their staffs will be resumed when Governor Reagan returns to Washington the week of 8 December.

3. A security and counterintelligence briefing will be given by CIA security officers to the National Security Transition Team today.

4. The Reagan transition team for CIA finally got itself organized toward the end of November. Several of its members have been provided office space and other support within the Headquarters building and have been given security clearances. We are meeting their requests for documents within the guidelines established by the Administration and our responsibility for protection of sources and methods. Senior members of the Reagan team have been extremely cooperative and understanding of our problems in this regard. The team is presently engaged in receiving extended briefings on each major component of the Agency at the rate of two a day.


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